Important steps in reducing the risk of contamination in tracheostomy patients.

T hrow contamination away! That's what every health care professional wants to do in treating tracheostomy patients. And that desire is closer to reality with Shiley's Disposable Inner Cannula (DIC) system of tracheostomy tubes.

Since the DIC was first introduced, doctors, nurses and therapists have accepted it as a significant advance in reducing the risk of contamination and infection, as well as a time and cost saver.¹ Tracheostomy care procedures can be simplified and trach care kits can be eliminated.



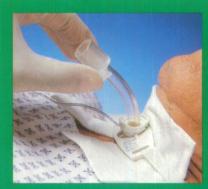
DIC is used with all Shiley disposable cannula tracheostomy tubes.



To realize the benefits of the disposable inner cannula, the health care professional simply needs to follow these four important steps:

Step 1—Remove the used inner cannula, employing aseptic procedures, by firmly pinching the clamps of the snap-lock connector and gently pulling back from the tracheostomy tube. The professional should note the size of the tube for correct DIC replacement.

Step 2—Important! After determining that the inner cannula is indeed a disposable type (and not a reusable inner cannula with a twist lock), discard the DIC in an appropriate disposal container. Remember, do not clean, resterilize, or reuse the DIC.



Step 1—Gently remove Disposable Inner Cannula (DIC).



Step 3—*Remove new cannula from sterile container.*

Step 3—Remove the correct size DIC from its sterile container by the pinch clamps of the snap-lock connector using aseptic technique.

Step 4—Still using aseptic technique, insert the new DIC, securely snapping both sides of the connector, and proceed with hospital-prescribed trach care. The sterile tray from the DIC makes a convenient basin for stoma care.

So, take a **big step** in reducing the risk of contamination and infection—by throwing away the used disposable inner cannula. For more information, and for details on our informative video program about tracheostomy care, contact your Shiley Technical Representative at (800) 233-8969 or write to Shiley Incorporated, 17600 Gillette Avenue, Irvine, CA 92714-5751 U.S.A., Tel: (714) 250-



Step 2—*Discard disposable inner cannula in appropriate container.*



Step 4—*Insert new DIC and proceed with prescribed trach care.*

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